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2 2. (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 wherein said nucleic acid is deoxyribonucleic acid.

5 3. (Original) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 2 wherein said deoxyribonucleic acid is cDNA.

1 4. (Currently Amended) An The isolated and purified nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 as set forth in SEQ ID NO:1.

6 5. (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 wherein said nucleic acid molecule encodes the an amino acid sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO:3.

3 6. (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 wherein said nucleic acid is ribonucleic acid.

3 4 7. (Original) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 6 wherein said ribonucleic acid is mRNA.

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7 10. (Currently amended) An expression vector comprising the oligonucleotide nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

5 11. (Original) The expression vector of claim 10 wherein the expression vector is selected from the group consisting of a plasmid and a virus.

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